

State of Utah DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES Division of Oil, Gas & Mining

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December 6, 2007

Bob Washnock Lisbon Valley Mining Company P. O. Box 248 La Sal, Utah 84530

Subject: Conditional Approval of Mine Plan Amendment; Lisbon Valley Mining; Lisbon Valley

Copper Mine; M0370088; Tasks 1554, 1633, and 1701; San Juan County, Utah

Dear Mr. Washnock:

The Division gives conditional approval to your amendment to expand the Centennial Pit, reduce the size of the GTO Pit, modify the shape of the leach pads, and to make other changes as submitted in an amendment received by the Division February 22, 2007. The surety was previously approved, but it was necessary for you to revise certain pages in the notice of intention to commence large mining operations (notice) and in the BLM plan of operations.

Revised pages and maps from the notice have been stamped approved, and copies are enclosed for your use.

As we have looked through your notice, we have found certain maps that have not been updated, at least in our copy of the notice. For example, Figures 3 and 4 and the reclamation treatments map all still show four waste dumps. It is possible these maps were updated at some time in the past but that they were never inserted in our copy of the notice. There are likely other maps and other parts of the notice that are not up to date.

The Division would like to make sure its and your copies of the notice are the same and do not conflict with the plan of operations. To this end, we intend to schedule a time when we can meet and go through the notice and plan of operations to compare these documents and see what updates are needed. Final approval of the current amendment will be given when we have determined the plan is up to date.

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Thank you for your cooperation in finalizing this amendment. If you have questions about this letter, please call me at 801-538-5258 or Paul Baker at 801-538-5261.

Sincerely,

Susan M. White

Mining Program Coordinator Minerals Regulatory Program

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Enclosure: Copy of approved pages for the notice of intention

cc: Rebecca Doolittle, Moab BLM

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